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§303-1.1 Authority, coverage, and applicability.

(a) *Statutory Authority.* This chapter sets forth the allowable expenses, not otherwise provided for by law, authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5742(b) for the preparation and transportation of the remains of a deceased employee, and for the transportation of the immediate family and household goods of a deceased employee.

(b) *Persons covered.* The provisions of this chapter cover an employee who dies while:

(1) On official travel away from his/her official station in the United States.

(2) Performing official duties outside CONUS.

(3) Absent from duty as provided in §303-1.5.

(4) Reassigned away from his/her home of record pursuant to a mandatory mobility agreement executed as a condition of employment.

(c) *Applicability.* The provisions of this chapter apply whether an employee's death is or is not work-related.

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§303-1.2 Responsibility.

It is the responsibility of the head of an agency or his/her designated representative upon being informed of an employee's death which occurred while in any status subject to the provisions of this subtitle, immediately to inform the decedent's next of kin or legal representative of the provisions of this

chapter. The agency head or his/her designated representative shall render every reasonable assistance in arranging for preparation and transportation of the remains of the decedent when death occurs during a travel status or at the official station outside CONUS. Also, the agency head or his/her designated representative shall provide necessary assistance for the return of the decedent's immediate family and household goods to the official residence when the decedent's official station was outside the continental United States.

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§303-1.3 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, and unless otherwise specifically provided in this chapter, the following definitions apply:

(a) *United States.* United States means the 50 States and the District of Columbia.

(b) *Continental United States.* The continental United States (or CONUS) means the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia.

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§303-1.4 Death related to performance of official duty.

When an employee's death results from injuries sustained while he/she was actually performing official duty, the expenses for preparation and transportation of the remains will be properly payable under the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 8134. The authorized allowances may not be denied because of the deceased employee's entitlement to burial benefits as a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States.

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§303-1.5 Death during a period of absence from duty.

The provisions of this chapter apply when an employee is performing official travel away from his/her official station located in the United States and dies while temporarily absent from a temporary duty station. The provisions of this chapter also apply when